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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1907.

PLANT a fig orchard in the Gulf Coast country, and your fortune will be made within a few years.

CORPUS CHRISTI has concluded that the laborer is worthy of his hire, and has raised the salary of her mayor to \$1200 per year.

THE enterprising farmers around Cuero, Texas, have already shipped two cars of fat dressed turkeys to market. THE HERALD hopes the day may come before long when such items may be reported from Brownsville.

THROUGH an error by one of the state contract printers, the list of lands which the state put on the market Dec. 2 without condition of settlement, a number of tracts were omitted from the published list, and in consequence several Travis county men, who are said to have known of the error, bought in the said land at their own figure, being the only bidders. The question naturally arises, where was the proof reader, that such a glaring error on the part of the compositor should be allowed to go uncorrected?

THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Report up to 8 a. m., and Forecast for Next 24 Hours.

Following are the observations taken at the South Texas Garden for the 24 hours ending at eight o'clock this morning:

Maximum temperature 55; minimum 49.

FORECAST.

Tonight, rain; warmer. Saturday, probably showers. Light to fresh easterly to southerly winds.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Interesting Papers Read and Profitable Discussion of Subjects Held.

The first hour of Thursday afternoon was devoted to school business forms. Superintendent Goodrich was elaborate in his instruction on this subject and required each teacher to fill out the legal blanks. He also instructed them on all practical points connected with clerical work of teaching, and the law applying to the same. This is a very important and much neglected subject, and the work was well timed.

Prof. Guzman read an able paper, recounting his experience as a student trying to learn English. His ideas were good and the methods suggested would be conducive to good results, if adopted by our teachers.

FRIDAY MORNING.

This morning the first subject considered was that of discipline, ably presented by Mrs. K.H. Hamilton. She handled the subject with excellent results, and, if followed her advice should do away with disorder in the school room to a great extent hereafter.

Prof. Candler next presented the subject of child nature, discussing it exhaustively. He insisted that teachers must study this most important subject more closely and apply its teachings more liberally in their practical work as teachers.

Next a very good paper on the subject of teaching Geography was read by Miss Mary Jones. She handled her subject well, and the discussion was general and animated.

Superintendent Vallendingham of California joined in the discussion and gave a talk that was highly instructive and entertaining.

The work of the institute will be concluded this afternoon.

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Newsy Budget of Local and Personal Items.

Many Visitors to Popular New Town. Regular Religious Services Now Held—Death of an Infant Saddens the Community.

TO THE HERALD.

Mercedes, Texas, Dec. 19.—Mrs. J. G. McNair and children have moved to the farm at Santa Maria to be with Mr. McNair, who found a daily drive of eight miles forth and back a bit too strenuous.

Mr. W. G. Westgate of Chicago arrived Tuesday from Chicago to spend the winter with his son Edw. Westgate, one of the pioneer citizens of Mercedes.

Messrs. Wilbur Price and Wm. Lingenbrink have gone to St. Louis to spend the holiday season.

Mr. J. T. Bishop and family have moved into their pretty new home on Virginia avenue.

Last Sunday was made doubly pleasant to many Mercedes folk by the welcome presence of Judge and Mrs. Noah Allen and Miss Jagou of Brownsville.

Mr. George Gross is building a home on west Third street.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leach and Mr. Chas. E. Smith of Indiana and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Smith of Kansas constituted a party of interesting and interested visitors here last week.

Jimmo Griffin spent last Sunday in Brownsville.

Mrs. Alfred Smith and Miss Sellers of Lexington, Mo., were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Silver this week.

Mr. Frank Kibbe of Brownsville spent Wednesday and Thursday attending to business here.

Among the most enthusiastic of recent visitors here, were Dr. and Mrs. Grosshauser of Lodi, California. They prefer this country to California and made large investments here which they expect to improve as soon as they can wind up their affairs in Lodi, and return here.

Mrs. Love of San Antonio, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Albert Sammons and family, returned home last week.

Mr. J. P. Stephenson, well known in Brownsville, spent several days here recently.

Mrs. Fred Cutting and son Martin, started Thursday evening to Los Angeles, to visit Mrs. Cutting's sister and family.

Mr. John Scott Harrison, Jr., and Mr. Graham Robinson, both of Kansas City, have recently spent a few days here, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lytle Harrison.

Rev. Mr. Petty conducted divine services in the school building last Sunday.

Henceforward we will have services three Sundays each month, the Presbyterian and Methodist ministers from Brownsville and Rev. Petty, the Baptist missionary, each conducting in turn.

DEATH OF AN INFANT.

The entire community was saddened last Tuesday by the death of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Patterson. The little one was just two weeks old. Interment was made in the Cavazos cemetery. This was the first death in an American family in the history of Mercedes—a period of about ten months.

Notice to Taxpayers.

I am now ready to collect city taxes for the year 1907. All persons owing such taxes will please call at my office and settle as soon as convenient. Respectfully,

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At the Miller, Friday—Miss Flora C. Volz, Olmito, Texas; Mr. Miller, Matamoros, with Mr. Carter; C. E. Blalack, city; Wm. Briggs, Hidalgo, Texas; Chas. D. Cassey, Austin, Texas; S. P. Silver, Mercedes, Texas; J. W. Hoi, La Lomita, Texas; C. E. Harmond, San Antonio, Texas; C. E. Wright, Corpus Christi, Texas; H. S. Muir, R. J. Muir, Winnebago, Minn.; Lytle Harrison and wife, Mercedes, Texas; S. B. Town, Peoria, Ill.; E. R. Templeton, Harlingen, Texas; O. G. Norton and daughter, Garland, Mo.; J. D. Hooke, Hidalgo county; W. I. Church, Kingsville, Texas; Thos. E. Hill, Corpus Christi, Texas; J. P. Stephenson, Waco, Texas; L. M. Ellis, Lon C. Hill, Harlingen, Texas.

Notice.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National bank of Brownsville, Texas, will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 14th, 1908, at 3 p. m., for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

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